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Docket No. 49933US031

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| Applicant(s):     | HOOPMAN et al.                         | ) | Group Art Unit: | 1722               |
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| Serial No.:       | 09/520,032                             | ) | Examiner:       | Joseph S. Del Sole |
| Confirmation No.: | 9385                                   | ) |                 |                    |
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| Filed:            | 6 March 2000                           | ) |                 |                    |
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| For:              | TOOLS TO MANUFACTURE ABRASIVE ARTICLES |   |                 |                    |

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents  
Mail Stop Amendment  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed 20 September 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

The pending claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on the page entitled "Amendments to the Claims."

Remarks begin on the page entitled "Remarks."